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DISMAL PERFORMANCE OF SOME SECTORS .
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether growth performance in some sectors has been less than the target during the current Eleventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons for this deficiency;

(d) whether steps have been taken to improve the performance of these sectors in the Twelfth Five Year Plan; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES

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(a) & (b): By taking into account the Advanced Estimates released by Central Statistics Office (CSO), the services sector is expected to achieve the Eleventh Five Year Growth Targets. However, there may be some shortfall in achieving the growth targets of Eleventh Five Year Plan in Agriculture & Industrial sectors. The estimated sector wise achievements for the Eleventh Plan are indicated as under.

Eleventh Five Year Plan	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total
Target	4	10-11	9-11	9
Achievement#	3.3	6.7	9.9	7.9

Achievement has been computed by taking simple average of the sectoral growth rates achieved during the years: 2007-08 to 2011-12. The figures for 2011-12 are based on the Advanced Estimates and figures for 2010-11 are based on Quick Estimates.

(c): The shortfall in attainment of the target in the agriculture sector is mainly on account of the fact that the country faced a drought like situation in 2008-09 and registered a negative growth rate. This situation continued in 2009-10 also. The sluggishness in the growth of the industrial sector was mainly due to global economic slowdown, inflationary pressure and high degree of volatility in the global oil prices.

(d) & (e): The Approach Paper to the Twelfth Five Year Plan recognizes the need for higher levels of investments in agriculture both by the public and private sector which can yield better results if the reforms are undertaken to streamline the incentive structures for the farmers and the institutional frameworks in which agriculture and related activities take place. Seeds and irrigation have been identified as the priority areas for raising the productivity on the supply side. On the demand side, the need to remove most of the controls that have denied a unified and seamless all India market for most agriculture products have been identified as keypriority areas in the Twelfth Five Year Plan. In the manufacturing sector issues like improving the global competitiveness, development of physical infrastructure, role of small and medium enterprises,

availability of skilled workforce etc. have been identified as the priority areas.